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May 20, 2021

## BY CM/ECF

Honorable Vernon S. Broderick United States District Judge Southern District of New York Thurgood Marshall U.S. Courthouse 40 Foley Square New York, New York 10007

Re: United States v. Starlyn Soto, 20 Cr. 211 (VSB)

Dear Judge Broderick:

The Government respectfully writes to request a 45-day adjournment of the conference in the above-referenced matter currently scheduled for May 20, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

The parties have continued to have specific conversations about a resolution to this matter, as discussed in prior filings on September 8, 2020, and February 18, 2021. In light of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and the impact that the pandemic has had on the parties' continuing discussions regarding a pre-trial disposition, the parties jointly request that the Court adjourn the upcoming conference for approximately 45 days.

For the same reasons, if the Court grants the adjournment, the Government further requests that time be excluded in the interest of justice, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 3161(h)(7)(A), until the rescheduled conference date. Defense counsel has consented to this request.

APPLICATION GRANTED SO ORDERED A J. VERNON S. BRODERICK U.S.D.J. 5/20/2021

The status conference scheduled for May 21, 2021 is hereby adjourned to July 9, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. The adjournment is necessary to permit the parties time to continue discussing a pretrial disposition of this matter. The Court finds that the ends of justice served by granting a continuance outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial. Accordingly, it is further ordered that the time between May 21, 2021 and July 9, 2021 is hereby excluded under the Speedy Trial Act, 18 U.S.C. 3161(h)(7)(A), in the interest of justice

CC: Ariel Werner, Esq. (by CM/ECF) Christopher Flood, Esq. (by CM/ECF) Respectfully,

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